

SUPERIOR COURT, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, FAMILY LAW

TRIAL RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR FAMILY LAW DEPARTMENTS COUNTYWIDE

No later than 10 days before the Trial Readiness Conference all attorneys and self-represented parties shall:

- 1. MEET AND CONFER and prepare: (a) A list of disputed issues, with a short explanation of each; (b) A statement of facts from each side; and (c) A signed stipulation as to undisputed issues of fact and law, and exhibits which can be admitted without foundation.

Each party must provide to the court at the time of the Trial Readiness Conference, the following:

- 2. Current Income and Expense Declarations including the last three pay stubs, the last two years income tax returns, corporate income tax returns if applicable, 1099's for the last two years and any and all information tending to assist the court in deciding questions of income.
Copies of any cases the parties wish the court to read prior to trial.
On one sheet of paper, set out how the property and debts should be divided and how any equalization payment should be handled.
A list of witnesses and a short statement as to what they will testify to.
Items (a), (b), and (c) from paragraph #1 above.
All of the above items shall be submitted to the clerk and marked received. Necessary items will be filed by the court on the date of trial.
- 3. All parties and their counsel shall be present at the Trial Readiness Conference. The Court will not accept a ATradition
- 4. All exhibits shall be pre-marked by attorneys and exchanged before the day of trial.
- 5. Reporter fees shall be paid by each party prior to 12:00 noon on each day of trial.
- 6. Trials shall be continued only by the judicial officer upon a motion and a showing of good cause. If parties are not prepared to go forward on the date of the Trial Readiness Conference and there is no good cause to continue, the matter will be taken off calendar and the At-Issue stricken.
- 7. Failure of one party to appear at the Trial Readiness Conference, or failure to comply with these rules, without good cause will likely result in one or more of the following sanctions: (a) Striking that party's pleadings, such that the case can proceed by default; (b) Evidence or issue sanctions; or (c) Monetary sanctions.
- 8. This document incorporates by reference the minutes of the court of the date this matter is set for trial and serves as notice of trial pursuant to C.C.P. ' 594 (a) and (b).
- 9. **FAILURE** to notify the court if the case has been settled prior to the trial date will still result in payment of the costs for the Court Reporter. If applicable, notification of settlement should be presented to the court no later than Friday preceding the trial.

THESE RULES AND PROCEDURES ARE THE ORDER OF THE COURT.

We have read and will comply with the above rules and procedures:

Petitioner

Respondent

Attorney For Petitioner

Attorney For Respondent

Date

Date